

Eligibility Overview and ACA

Presentation to
Night MAC
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Our Mission:

Improving health care access
and outcomes for the people
we serve while demonstrating sound
stewardship of financial resources



Overview

- Eligibility Overview
 - Application Process & Partners
 - Criteria
 - Categories
- Upcoming Changes
 - Policy/Criteria
 - Technology



Partners who Accept Applications

- 64 County Departments of Human/Social Services
- 8 Medical Assistance Sites (MA)
- 3 School Based Application Sites
- 130 Presumptive Eligibility Sites (PE)
- 224 Certified Application Assistance Sites (CAAS)
- 1 CHP+ Contractor
- 130 Breast and Cervical Cancer Program (BCCP) Sites
- 46 Agencies making level of care determinations
 - 23 Single Entry Point Agencies (SEP)
 - 20 Community Centered Boards (CCB)
 - 3 Private Case Management Agencies
- Social Security Administration (SSA)
- Child Welfare Offices



Who Can Apply?

- Anyone
- Authorized representative or someone acting on behalf of an incompetent or incapacitated client or for any children in the household



Different Applications

- Application for Medical Assistance
 - For anyone applying for only for Medical Assistance
 - Include the Medicaid Disability Application and Release Forms for anyone applying on basis of disability
 - Individuals over age 65 do not need the Disability Application
- Application for Public Assistance
 - For anyone applying for both medical and financial programs



Who Can Help with the Application?

- Anyone
- Our Partners listed on Slide 4



Where do I send my Application?

- County Office where you live (county of residence)
- Other Partner Sites
- Online



Medical Processing Times

- 90 day limit on applications that require a disability determination
- 45 day limit on all other applications



Notices

- Approvals
- Denials
- Terminations (10 day noticing)
- Requests for Additional Information (Verification Checklist) / Documents
- Redetermination Requests
 - Auto Re-enrollment

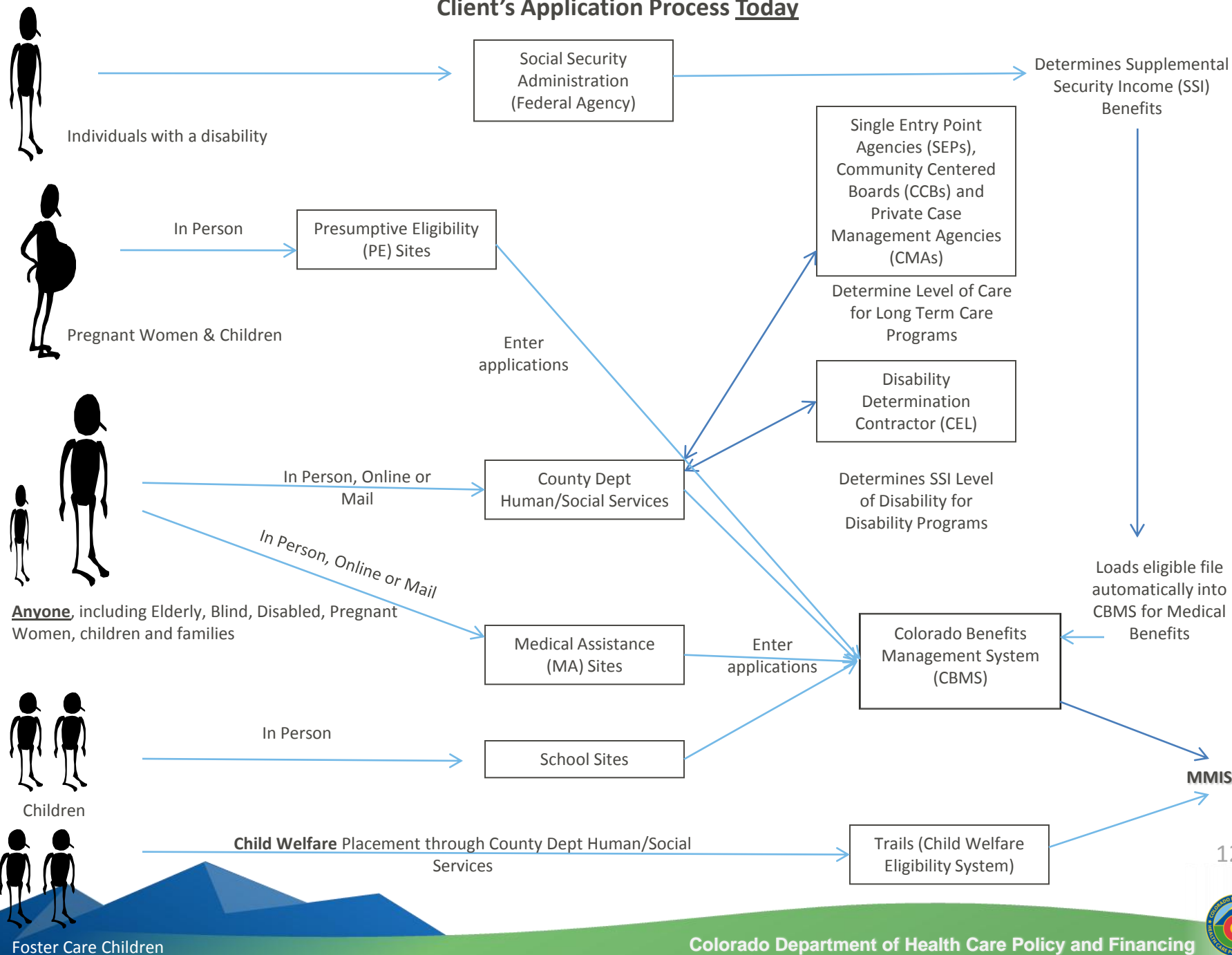


Eligibility Begin Dates

- Application Date
- Up to 3 months prior to Application Date
 - If you have medical bills and are eligible during those months
- Date on which you meet the eligibility criteria
 - Disability determinations
 - Income & Resources



Client's Application Process Today



Criteria

- Residency
- Citizenship
- Identity
- Household Composition
- Income

Long Term Care/Adult Programs Only

- Above, plus:
- Resources
- Disability



Residency

- Applicant must be a Colorado Resident
 - *‘Here today and intend to stay’*



Citizenship

- U.S. Citizens and most legal immigrants who arrived before 8-22-96 meet the citizenship criteria
- U.S. Citizens must provide documentation of their citizenship and identity due to the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005
 - Interface with SSA can verify citizenship and identity
- Legal immigrants must provide documentation of their immigrant status due to the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Act of 1996



Citizenship Exception

- Immigrants who arrived after 8-22-96 can not receive full Medicaid for 5 years from date of entry
 - Unless they fall into a mandatory coverage group: veteran, active duty, spouse, child, un-remarried spouse of veteran, Hmong or Highland Lao veteran; Refugee; Asylee; Granted withholding of deportation; Cuban or Haitian entrant; Amerasian.
 - Can only receive Emergency Medicaid (Previously called 'Undocumented Alien' population)



Citizenship Exception

- The following U.S. Citizens are exempt from providing citizenship and identity documents:
 - Medicare recipients
 - SSI recipients
 - SSDI recipients
 - Needy Newborns
 - IV-E & IV-B Foster Children
 - Presumptive Eligibility recipients



Household Composition

- Varies by eligibility category
- Parents, caretaker relatives, dependent children
- Applicant with Spouse
- Applicant alone



Income

- Anything a person receives in the current/prior month which can be used to meet their needs for food, clothing, and shelter
 - This may be cash or in-kind
 - May either be earned or unearned
- INCOME LIMITS vary by category of assistance
 - Clients must meet income guidelines for the category of assistance for which they are applying





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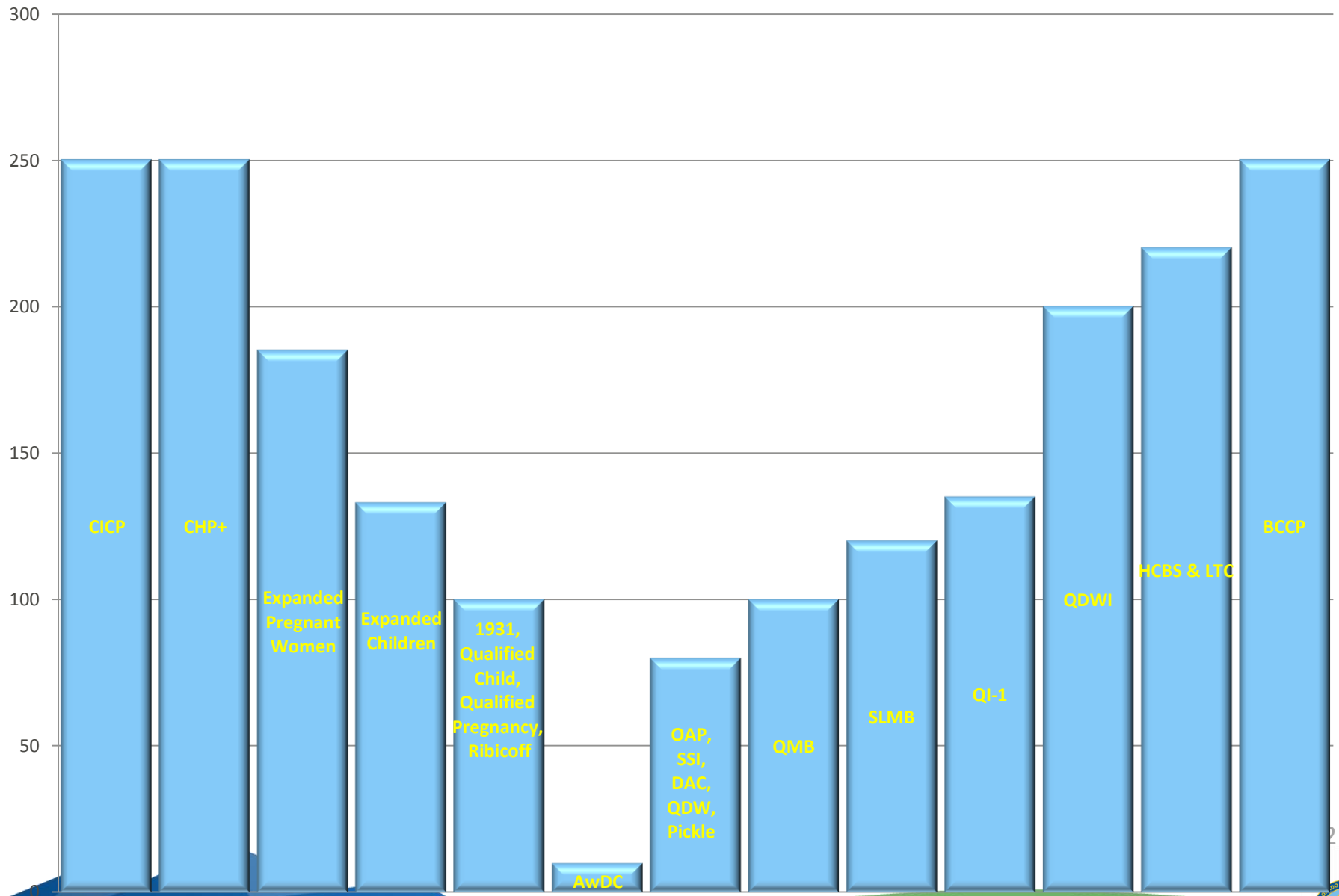
Monthly Maximum Income Guidelines

Effective April 1, 2013

Family Size	1931, Qualified Pregnant Women and Children, 100% Poverty Level	Expanded and <u>Ribicoff</u> Children 133% Poverty Level	Pregnant Women 185 % Poverty Level
1	\$958	\$1,274	\$1,772
2	\$1,293	\$1,720	\$2,392
3	\$1,628	\$2,165	\$3,011
4	\$1,963	\$2,611	\$3,631
5	\$2,298	\$3,056	\$4,251
6	\$2,633	\$3,502	\$4,871
7	\$2,968	\$3,947	\$5,490
8	\$3,303	\$4,393	\$6,110
For each additional person add	\$335	\$446	\$620
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2013 Categories by % of Federal Poverty Level



Resources

- The value or equity value of assets held by the applicant or countable family members
- Limits vary by category of assistance
 - Family Medicaid & CHP+ categories do not count resources
- Examples of countable resources:
 - checking/savings accounts, stocks, bonds, IRA's, 401k's, and mutual funds, some vehicles, secondary property
- Examples of exempt resource:
 - home you live in, wedding/engagement rings, prosthetic devices, dialysis machines, hospital beds, wheelchairs



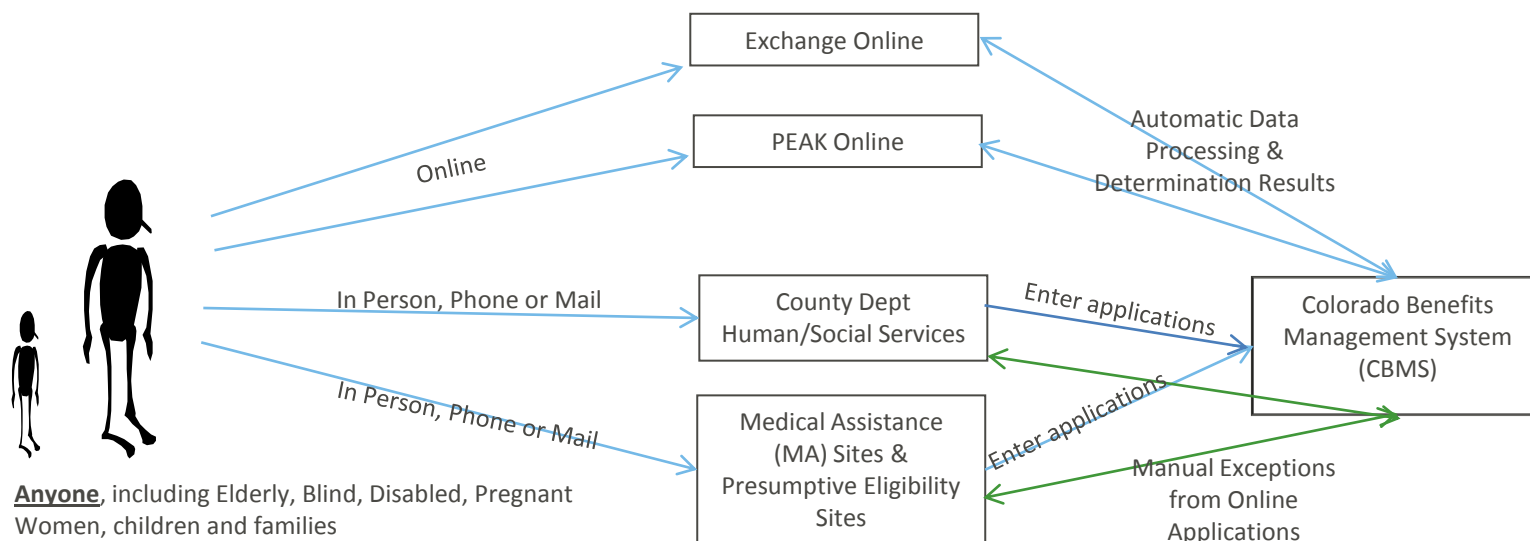
Disability

- SSI Disability Criteria
 - Disability means inability to engage in any substantial gainful activity due to a physical or mental impairment which can be expected to result in death or which has lasted or can be expected to last for 12 months or longer
 - Age 65 or older meets disability criteria
- Long Term Care and HCBS
 - Individuals must also meet the Level of Care for Nursing Facility Placement



Client's Application Process Tomorrow

- Same as today, *plus online through Exchange*

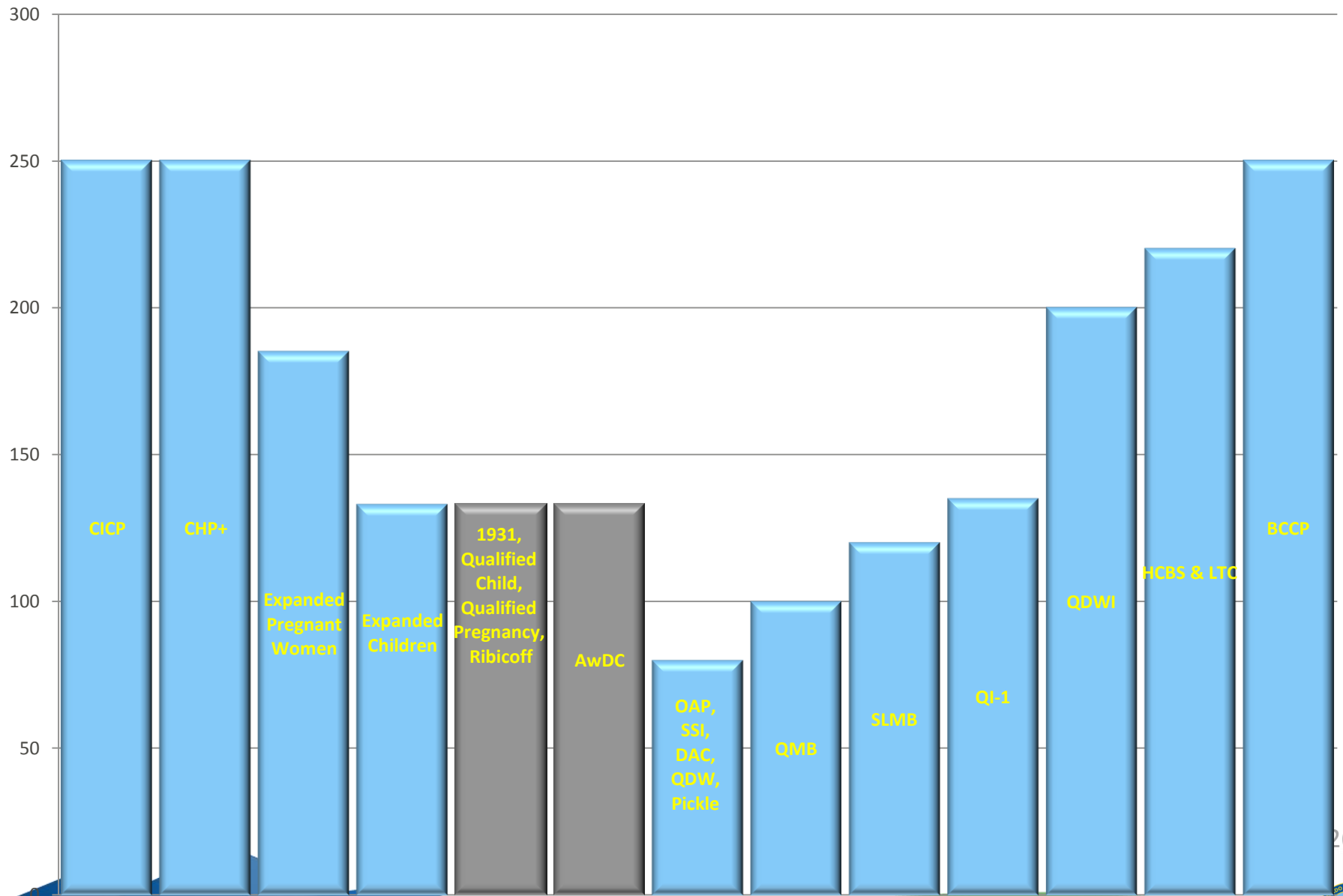


Eligibility Changes with ACA

- Income and Household counting methodology (MAGI)
- Phone Applications
- Online through the Exchange
- Increased income limit for:
 - AwDC from 10% to 133%
 - Parents from 100% to 133%
- Improved Technology – Rebuilding
- Real time determinations
- Verifying Criteria through Electronic Data Sources



2014 Categories by % of Federal Poverty Level



Questions & Discussion

